

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & POLITICAL  
SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 415, Utah State Capital

February 17, 2016

**Members Present:** Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair  
Sen. Luz Escamilla  
Sen. David Hinkins  
Sen. Alvin B. Jackson  
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher

**Members Excused:** Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard

**Staff Present:** Ms. Megan Bolin, Policy Analyst  
Ms. Lori Brinkerhoff, Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Dayton called the meeting to order at 8:24 a.m.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2016, meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

**1<sup>st</sup> Sub. S.B. 114      Municipal Utilities Amendments (Sen. J. Stevenson)**

Sen. Stevenson explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Roger Tew, Utah League of Cities and Towns  
Bob Stevenson, Mayor, Layton City

Spoke against the bill: Ricky Hatch, Weber County Clerk Auditor  
George McEwen, City Councilmember, Centerville City  
Richard Brunst, Mayor, Orem City  
Matthew Laker, citizen, West Valley City

**MOTION:** Sen Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Dayton voting in opposition, and Sen. Escamilla absent for the vote.

**S.B. 147      Revisor's Technical Corrections to Utah Code (Sen. R.Okerlund)**

Sen. Okerlund explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to place S.B. 147 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla absent for the vote.

**S.B. 142      Improvement District Amendments (Sen. T. Weiler)**

Sen. Weiler explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to replace S.B. 142 with 1<sup>st</sup> Sub. S.B. 142. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 1<sup>st</sup> Sub. S.B. 142 out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jackson being absent for the vote.

**S.B. 150 Metro Township Amendments (*Sen. K. Mayne*)**

Sen. Mayne explained the bill to the committee with assistance from Patrick Reimherr, Director of Government Relations, Salt Lake County and Michael Jensen, Councilmember, Salt Lake County.

Spoke to the bill: Nancy Carlson-Gotts, Vice-Chair Community Outreach, Millcreek Township

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to replace S.B. 150 with 2<sup>nd</sup> Sub. S.B. 150. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jackson absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass 2<sup>nd</sup> Sub. S.B. 150 out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Thatcher voting in opposition.

**H.B. 81 Government Employees Insurance Offerings Amendments (*Rep. M. Kennedy*)**

Rep. Kennedy explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to place H.B. 81 on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

**H.B. 95 Political Issues Committee Amendments (*Rep. K. Powell*)**

Rep. Powell explained the bill to the committee.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m

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Sen. Margaret Dayton, Chair